

LEWISTOWN JOB SERVICE EMPLOYERS' COMMITTEE

APRIL 21, 2005

Present: Kathy Fleharty, Sandi Ludeman, Joe Eckhardt, Dave Byerly, Roy Jones, Robin Fleming, Nancy Wilson, Janis Duffy

Robin welcomed everyone and brought the meeting to order.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

Kathy gave the Treasurer's report in written form. She reported that she has closed the savings account and transferred the funds to checking. It was moved, seconded and carried that we pay SHRM for Janis' membership for another year.

Old Business:

Mystery Shopper: Janis handed out a proposal for a Secret Shopper Project that Nancy had received from the Downtown Solutions Team. Roy will still get the information the Bozeman JSEC has and will bring to the next meeting. Per discussion at the Feb. meeting, the information will then be given to the Chamber Market Council.

Customer Service Seminar: Janis gave a brief summary of the progress to date. Wendy was interviewed by Fred Lark on KXLO Live yesterday and will have another interview on the day of the training. The Seminar will still be held at the Yogo since they have assured us that the sound system will be functional. She and Roy plan to test it prior to May 11th. We will also request a corded hand held microphone be available for use as backup. Marketing efforts will include Dave writing an article for the newspaper and Janis will do a block ad. Kathy will contact Fred Lark at KXLO-KLCM regarding a KXLO Live segment with her and Dave to promote the seminar some time prior to the 11th. We decided to have a table with sign up sheets at the door to keep track of businesses represented at the seminar. Kathy volunteered to man the table. The person doing the introduction will need to remember to thank the sponsors for helping us bring the training to Lewistown and we will also write a letter to the editor to publicly acknowledge them. Roy suggested we

write a letter of thanks to Mr. Taffin after the training, providing all goes well.

New Committee Members: Dwayne Bakkedahl and Jeff Evans have both declined an invitation to join the Committee due to other time commitments. It was decided that everyone should bring the name of a potential new member to the next meeting. Roy will contact Debra Lindstrand from Headstart.

Strategic Planning/Roy: Nothing to report as yet.

New Business:

State JSEC/Managers' Meeting: Roy presented information about the Fred Unmack scholarship. Silent auction items report: Kathy reported that she was not able to get tickets for the night show. Sandi is getting an overnight stay and breakfast for 2 from the Duvall Inn; Roy has obtained a canoe trip for two on the Missouri River. Roy passed around raffle tickets for those wishing to purchase and/or sell.

Other: Roy reported on the Judith Gap windmill project; it appears that most positions will be filled with either union members or those willing to join the union with the exception of a secretarial position.

Manager's Report: Roy reported on the unemployment rates and the disposition of HB 589.

The next meeting will be on May 19th, possibly at the new Sports Inc. house on Boulevard. Location will be announced via email prior to the meeting.